





# TRUST IN HULL GOVERNMENT

For sometime citizen confidence in government has taken a hit. A recent editorial by reporter Jeff Greenfield on Public Television's The News Hour documented a decline in American trust in their government. According to Greenfield the decline in trust has been occurring over a long time. In 1964, seventy-seven percent (77%) felt their government would do the right thing all or most of the time. Ten years later after the Vietnam War and the resignation of President Nixon in disgrace, the number dropped to thirty percent (30%). Greenfield pointed out since that time, the confidence of the American people has never exceeded fifty percent (50%) of those surveyed, even after the patriotism demonstrated after the attack on 9/11. Most of citizens' lack of trust in government seems to be directed at Washington (Federal Government).

But it is not just government that has become less admired. Other major American institutions also have declined in public confidence. Take confidence in churches for example. Back in 1973, sixty-six percent (66%) of Americans had trust in religious institutions. Now that confidence barely exceeds forty-two percent (42%). Recently, the move "Spotlight" won the Academy Award as best picture of the year. It tells the story of the Boston Globe investigation into pedophile priests in the Boston Archdiocese. Trust in banks has gone from sixty percent (60%) in 1979 to twenty-eight percent (28%) today. Can we have confidence in our

financial institutions after the financial meltdown of the last decade? In national surveys, organized labor, big business, public schools and the medical system all get low grades. Confidence in TV news has proved to be no better. Greenfield points out that twenty (20) years ago nearly fifty percent (50%) of Americans had trust in TV news. Today that figure is twenty-one percent (21%). Even the military, police and small business which have maintained the trust of a majority of citizens is less than what it once was.

No institution seems to be off limits. All institutions are being scrutinized as they have not been in the past largely because of the expansion of social media. If there was one cause of the lack of trust in government both in our country and internationally is the perception by citizens that government is corrupt. It does not treat people fairly or equally. It favors one interest group over another. In some cases it steels from its citizens.

But what about trust in local government? Hull citizens interact with two local governments; Portage County and the Town of Hull. Portage County provides police protection (the sheriff's department) and planning and zoning services. But what about trust and confidence in Hull government, both elected officials and staff? We have neither Pew Research studies nor a Gallup Poll to determine Hull citizen's opinion toward local government. As elected leaders of your town, the

Hull Board of Supervsiors would like to know what your thoughts are about your Hull government. What is your trust level in Hull's elected and appointed officials as they perform their duties? Hull officials would like to know. Perhaps we should have a survey! Maybe we are perfect and beyond improvement but we doubt it.

In any case, we would like to hear from you. Our phone number is 715-344-8280 and the e-mail is townofhull@tn.hull.wi.gov. Our fax is 715-344-0717 or you can always stop at the Hull Municipal Building to chat or come to regular board meetings usually held the first Monday of the month.

Thank you and have a good day!

John Holdridge, Chairperson

Town of Hull



# **TOWN OF HULL**VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



#### **BURNING PERMITS**

Spring will arrive very soon – Burning permits are already required where snow does not cover the entire ground area. Burning permits can be obtained at your Town Fire Wardens or by contacting the DNR at 1-888-947-2876 or on-line at <a href="http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/forestfire/restrictions.html">http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/forestfire/restrictions.html</a>. However, you <a href="must\_number style="must\_number style-"must\_number style="must\_number style-"must\_number style="must\_number style-"must\_number style="must\_number style-"must\_number style

### **BATTERIES**

If you have not yet changed batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors please do so. It is a simple thing that can and has saved lives.

# **WANTED: Volunteer Fire Fighters**

The Hull Fire Dept is updating our member eligibility list. Spring fire fighter training will be coming up and we may be looking for a "Few Good Men & Women" to join our ranks. If you're interested in helping out our Fire Dept and making a huge difference we'd love to talk to you and explain the process and training. We're all about fighting all types of fires, training and protecting our residents. All training and gear is paid for. For more info and an application call Hull FD at 715-344-2174 and leave a message.

Fire Chief, Mark Kluck



# **SPRING CLEAN UP -2016**

If you live north of or on State Highway 66 (north and south sides), Spring Clean Up will be on:

Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

If you live south of State Highway 66 (does not include Hwy. 66), Spring Clean Up will be on:

Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

# Recyclables will be picked up as usual per the schedule.

# 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TRASH OR TREASURE DAY(S)

Trash or Treasure day(s) has become an event many look forward to. It is a great time to rid ourselves of the clutter we have collected over time. It is also a great time for many to obtain items they can put to use at no cost to them keeping these items out of the landfill. A WIN-WIN for all.

If your pickup day is May 5<sup>th</sup>, you may begin putting your items at curbside on Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. If your pickup day is May 12<sup>th</sup>, you may begin putting your items at curbside on Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.

This will allow plenty of time for those people who feel your Trash is their Treasure to pick those items up. Items not picked up during Trash or Treasure Days will be picked up by Harter's Disposal on the appropriate day.

### YES - WILL PICK UP

GARBAGE & RUBBISH
Small Appliances (toasters, mixers, etc.)
Furniture/Mattresses, Carpeting
Lawn Mowers (gas & oil drained)\*\*
Paint (dried hard paint) remove lid
Grills (not the gas container)\*\*

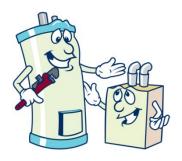
# NO - WILL NOT PICK UP

Televisions, Radios \*\*
Computer Monitors, Keyboards & Printers

#### NO - WILL NOT PICK UP

MAJOR APPLIANCES
Microwaves
Yard Waste/Grass/Leaves, etc.
Demolition Materials (Lumber
Shingles, Drywall, etc.)
Hazardous Materials
Fluorescent Fixtures
Concrete Materials or Rocks
Scrap Metal

\*\*Note: These items may be also recycled, some for a fee, at the Portage County Solid Waste Transfer Facility. Please see: http://www.co.portage.wi.us/index.htm for more information.









# LARGE ITEM DISPOSAL

Each year, the Town of Hull receives calls about appliance and large item disposal. We are offering you a solution.

Weller Salvage will be available on May 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am to 5:00pm to accept these items **AT THE TOWN OF HULL.** They can include but are not limited to washing machines, dryers, hot water heaters, dishwashers, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, etc., all at NO CHARGE!
(Exception: \$15.00 fee for any appliance containing Freon).

# **ELECTRONICS**



Electronics, such as Televisions, computers, keyboards, mouse's, monitors, Cell phones, etc. can be disposed of for only \$.30/lb.

# TIRE DISPOSAL

During this time period only (May 14<sup>th</sup>), Wellers will be accepting tires you want to dispose of. There is **NO** disposal limit. The disposal fee is:

Car/pickup tires \$ 3.00 ea.
 Semi/Dump truck tires \$10.00 ea.
 End loader tires \$20.00 ea.
 Small trailer/Motorcycle tires \$ 1.00 ea.
 Bicycle tires Free



The cost for other larger or foam tires is based on weight. The approximate cost to dispose of these tires can be provided by contacting Weller's Disposal at 715-677-6757.

Weller's Disposal will also accept Old Sheet Iron, tin cans or most types of metal.

Weller's Disposal <u>cannot accept</u> paper products, plastics, wood, furniture or items meant for the landfill or other means of disposal.

If you have any questions concerning the above information, please call WELLER'S DISPOSAL at 715-677-6757.



Branches must be at curbside by 7:00am April 25, 2016 (weather permitting)

# Please read the policy for branch/brush pick up in the Town of Hull:

For a number of years, the Town of Hull has picked up curbside brush piles during the annual spring cleanup.

The following procedures apply:

- 1. The maximum dimension of the brush pile cannot exceed12'L x 12'w x 6'h. Brush piles larger will **not** be picked up by the Hull road crew (see #4 below).
- 2. The following additional requirements apply:
  - a. Only one pile per land parcel.
  - b. Branches must be piled in one direction with butt end toward the road.
  - c. Branches must be placed at least 15 feet from mailbox, sign or trees.
  - d. Branches can be **no** longer than 12 feet in length.
  - e. Branches can be **no** wider than 6 inches in diameter.
  - f. No scrap lumber or pallets will be picked up.
- 3. Other provisions of policy:
  - a. No tree stumps or tree roots will be in the pile. The pile <u>will not</u> be picked up if tree stumps or roots are present.
  - b. Branches cut for resale as pulp will not be picked up.
- 4. Inspection of pile:
  - a. Brush piles will be inspected prior to pickup. Those exceeding dimensions will be flagged by the Town of Hull to notify the resident of policy violation. Those branch piles will not be picked up.

Exception to this policy requires approval by Hull Board of Supervision.

Adopted By: Hull Board of Supervisors

Date: March 4, 2013



# Below are the "Yard Waste Hours" for 2016

Beginning April 2<sup>nd</sup> & Ending Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>



# PROOF OF "TOWN OF HULL" RESIDENCY IS REQUIRED! **CLOSED ON HOLIDAYS!**

#### **2016 Yard Waste Site Hours**

	Sat., April 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2016	Sat., Oct. 1, 2016	Sun., Nov. 6, 2016
	Through	Through	Through
	Friday, Sept. 30, 2016	Sat. Nov. 5, 2016	Mon. Nov. 28, 2016
Monday	1:30pm - 6:30pm	1:30pm - 6:30pm	Noon – 4:45pm
Thursday	1:30pm - 6:30pm	1:30pm - 6:30pm	Noon – 4:45pm
Saturday	10:00am - 4:00pm	10:00am - 4:00pm	10:00am - 4:00pm

The Town of Hull has available to Town of Hull residents only, a "gated" drop off site at the Town Municipal Building for grass, leaves and branches. This site is for yard cleanup only; **NOT** to be used for commercial use.

Below are the guidelines set by the Hull Board of Supervisors:

# **OPEN**

# APRIL 2nd TO NOVEMBER 28, 2016 **CLOSED** ON HOLIDAYS!!

- Yard Waste Site is for TOWN OF HULL Residents ONLY!!! Check in with the Attendant at the Yard Waste Site. A Photo I.D. is required to prove residency. (If you are a new resident and your license does not reflect your new address, bring a utility bill or document you\_ receive on a regular basis to prove residency-magazine subscriptions are not accepted).
- The following WILL be accepted at the Yard Waste Drop off Site:
  - Leaves, Pine Needles, Grass, Plants that will compost down.
  - Branches not exceeding 6 inches in diameter.
- **NOT ACCEPTED** at this site are:
  - Tree Roots
  - Tree Stumps

# NO COMMERCIAL DUMPING ALLOWED!!

THIS AREA IS UNDER 24 HOURS VIDEO SURVEILLANCE ALL ACTIVITIES ARE RECORDED TO AID IN THE PROSECUTION OF ILLEGAL DUMPING

# **DOG-GONE COMPLAINTS**

Spring is upon us and with that comes increased complaints because people are outside with their dogs.

The following are the top five complaints received:



Barking
Dogs at large
Lost or found dogs
Neglect
Biting

# A few tips:

- License your Dog: Besides being a state law, licensing also helps officers return your pet to you rather than take the animal to the local shelter, where the owner will be charged for the pet's release.
- ➤ Vaccinate for Rabies: Besides being a state law, it ensures the health of your dog, family and community and is required to license your pet.
- ➤ **Prevent barking:** Remove barking triggers with tactics that include restricting a dog's access to windows.
- **Keep the dog contained:** Ensure fences or tie-out equipment are secure.
- ➤ **Keep the dog safe and comfortable:** Do not leave your dog in your vehicle during the summer and always check that your dog has adequate water.

# It is never too late to license your dog!!

Office Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

If you have a dog 5 months or over, a license is required by WI State Law, on or before <u>MARCH 31, 2016.</u> A \$5.00 <u>LATE FEE</u> must be charged for any license purchased after March 31, 2016.

#### **License Fees:**

Neutered Male or Spayed Female: \$ 8.00
Male or Female Dog \$18.00
Kennel License \$50.00

# PLEASE PRINT

## LICENSE FOR DOG(S) - 2016

Name:	
Address:	
Signature:	
Phone #:	
(subject to provisions of Chapter 174 of the	
anuary to the 31 <sup>st</sup> day of December.	
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SAVE AND SHARE WITH ALL PERSONS IN YOUR HOME WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE (18 years of age is the magic number for beginning your right to vote) – Thank you.

From the Desk of Your Clerk

Hello and Happy SPRING to all!

2016 is a BIG election year. A reminder to all is the required **PHOTO ID** for voting purposes.

I and the Inspectors of Election ask you to have your <u>PHOTO ID</u> <u>out of your wallet/billfold</u> and ready to hand to the Inspectors. Your assistance is <u>appreciated</u>. **PLEASE BE** <u>READY</u>!

<u>Photo ID's</u> you can use include the following which can be unexpired or expired after the most recent general election (November 4, 2014):

√ Wisconsin Driver's License or Wisconsin state
ID card

√ Military ID card issued by a U.S. uniformed service

√U.S. Passport

# Other photo ID's but must be unexpired:

- A certificate of naturalization issued not earlier than 2 years before the date of an election at which it is presented.
- A driving receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 45 days)
- An ID card receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 45 days)
- ➤ A photo ID card issued by a Wisconsin accredited university or college that contains date of issuance, signature of student, and an expiration date no later than 2 years after date of issuance. Also, the university or college ID must be accompanied by a separate document that proves enrollment.
- A citation or notice of intent to revoke or suspend a Wisconsin DOT issued

driver license that is dated within 60 days of the date of the election.

Also acceptable photo ID's for voting whether they are expired or unexpired:

✓ ID card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in Wisconsin

# **Election Dates:**

April 5, 2016 – Presidential Preference & Spring Election
August 9, 2016 – Partisan Primary
November 8, 2016 – General
Election/Presidential

Other things to keep in mind:

- Are you registered? If not please REGISTER EARLY.
- Want to vote by Absentee Ballot? You must be a registered voter. Contact my office.
- ❖ Armed Forces, college students, confined individuals or any individual who cannot be present at the polls may want to vote by absentee ballot. PLAN AHEAD waiting until the last minute may make it impossible for a person to vote by absentee ballot. Voting is your right. Voting by absentee ballot is a privilege. We need your help to ensure a ballot can be timely processed for you.

Please contact me if you have questions by phone at 715-344-8280, by fax at 715-344-0717, or by email at jrw@tn.hull.wi.gov

ENJOY YOUR SPRING, SUMMER, FALL & WINTER and thank you for your help<sup>©</sup>

Janet Wolle, Clerk

Helpful websites: gab.wi.gov myvote.wi.gov

# **Town of Hull Parks**

Explore and enjoy your parks! Your Town has ten properties that are considered parks. Some have baseball fields and basketball courts, most have a variety of playground equipment, one is a conservancy only with a walking path, and one is just a field for kids to run in.

Over the past several years, the Town has made a real effort to update equipment in several of the parks and this year is no different. Despite a relatively small budget, the Town continues to make efforts to update equipment, maintain grounds and plant new trees.

The Town of Hull Parks Commission has seven dedicated residents that volunteer their time in helping guide the Town in all aspects of park maintenance, equipment repair and purchases, along with the Vision Planning for the future.

Your Town of Hull Parks are: Eastwood Park, Meadow Manor Park, Somerset Park, Jordan Acres Park, Sorenson Park, Treder's Woodland Park West, Pleasant View East Park, Pleasant View West Park, Conifer Acres Park and Plover Heights Conservancy.

Explore and Enjoy!

#### **Please Share Your Thoughts About Our Parks**

The Town of Hull is conducting a short survey about our Parks. Please go to the Town of Hull Website which is <a href="https://www.townofhull.us">www.townofhull.us</a> Click the Parks Survey and follow the instructions.

# **BENEFIT FOR PETE KAMINSKI**

Pete Kaminski has served the citizens of the Town of Hull as a member of the Road Crew for over 15 years. He assumed the responsibility of Road Foreman in January, 2006. Since mid-October of 2015, Pete has been struggling with health related issues and has been off work since that time.

Friends and Neighbors of Pete and his family are organizing a benefit to help defray the cost of mounting medical bills and other life expenses. We wish Pete and his family only the best and await his return to work in the future as he continues his service to Hull Citizens.

If you would care to participate in this benefit, the information is as follows:



### PETE KAMINSKI BENEFIT

Saturday, May 14, 2016

Merryland Ballroom – 2405 State Hwy. 66

Event Time: 2pm to 8pm

Spaghetti Dinner: 2pm to 6pm

RAFFLES-----SILENT AUCTION------MUSIC & MORE

If you are interested in participating in this event and cannot attend, please feel free to contribute

To: COMMUNITY FIRST BANK (Any Location)

Attn: Pete Kaminski Benefit

(All costs associated with this notification; Paid by Friends of Pete Kaminski)

# GREETINGS FROM THE TOWN OF HULL

"Your" Town of Hull is made up of:

> A five member Board .....

John Holdridge-Chairperson

<u>Supervisors</u>: Dave Pederson Dave Wilz Rick Stautz Jan Way

Other Staff:

Janet Wolle Clerk
Jim Kruziki Treasurer

Barb Brilowski Secretary/Deputy Clerk

Marilynn Kranig Clerical Staff
Patty Amman Clerical Staff

<u>Contact Information</u>: 715-344-8280 (p) 715-344-0717 (f)

townofhull@tn.hull.wi.gov (e-mail) WWW.TOWNOFHULL.US (Web-site)



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Pete Kaminski – Road Foreman

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